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BC SUMMERSKATE JUDGING PILOT

This communication is to notify skaters, coaches and officials that we will be running a different set up for the judging panel of the Pre-Novice Women U14 groups at SummerSkate.

Over the past few years there has been a great deal of discussion about Judges giving marks for both the GOEs and Program Components. This pilot will have a panel of three judges giving a joint GOE and another set of four judges giving the Program Component marks, allowing the individual judge to put more focus on a particular aspect of the program – either technical GOE or the five program components.

The panel of judges giving the GOEs will operate like a Technical panel with headsets and will be able to discuss their GOE. The panel of judges giving the Program Components will work independently. Skater Details sheets will look the same as before, with the exception that an identical GOE will show up for all of the judges. This will have been arrived at by consensus by the GOE panel.

We are very fortunate to have Sissy Krick and Joe Inman joining us at BC SummerSkate this year. Sissy and Joe are highly respected ISU officials and were both very involved in the development of the Program Component criteria for the ISU Judging System. Joe will be one of the program component judges on Group 1 and Sissy will be on Group 2. They will hold a small seminar with their judges after the event to review the PC marks. This will be an excellent learning opportunity for our judges. Each of the GOE judging panels will be led by one of our BC ISU officials – Beth Crane, Susan Heffernan or Sally Rehorick.

There will be feedback to the Judges Committee and Beth Crane will provide feedback to Skate Canada's Officials Development Committee. It is interesting to note that the ISU is operating a two panel judging system at the Nebelhorn Trophy international competition in Obertsdorf, Germany in September....so we are not the only ones thinking that this is worth exploring!

If there are any questions or you have some feedback for us, please don't hesitate to email Janice Hunter:
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